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SUBJECT: ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS' TRIP

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1. THERE FOLLOWS APPROVED TEXT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS' ARRIVAL STATEMENT IN ENGLISH AND IN SPANISH TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO LOCAL MEDIA AT APPROPRIATE TIME:

QUOTE. I AM DELIGHTED TO BE IN ARGENTINA. THIS IS MY FIRST STOP ON A BRIEF TRIP IN WHICH I WILL BE VISITING SEVERAL LATIN AMERICAN CAPITALS. IT IS THE FIRST TIME THAT I HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE IN THIS MAGNIFICENT CITY SINCE BEING NAMED ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR LATIN AMERICA.

I SHALL BE CONSULTING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER VIGNES AND OTHER OFFICIALS ON A VARIETY OF MATTERS OF INTEREST TO BOTH COUNTRIES INCLUDING, OF COURSE, THE PROJECTED VISIT OF DR. KISSINGER TO LATIN AMERICA.

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I BRING TO PRESIDENT PERON, FOREIGN MINISTER VIGNES, AND ALL ARGENTINES GREETINGS AND WARM WISHES FROM PRESIDENT FORD AND SECRETARY KISSINGER. UNQUOTE.

QUOTE. ES UN PLACER PARA MI ENCONTRARME EN LA ARGENTINA. ESTA ES MI PRIMERA ESCALA DE UN BREVE VIAJE DURANTE EL CUAL VISITARE VARIAS CAPITALES DE LA AMERICA LATINA. DESDE QUE RECIBI MI NOMBRAMIENTO COMO SECRETARIO ADJUNTO DE ESTADO PARA LA AMERICA LATINA, ESTA ES LA PRIMERA VEZ QUE HE TENIDO LA OPORTUNIDAD DE VISITAR VUESTRA BELLA CIUDAD.

HE DE CELEBRAR CONSULTAS CON EL MINISTRO DE RELACIONES EXTERIORES VIGNES Y OTRAS OFICIALES SOBRE UNA SERIE DE TEMAS DE INTERES PARA AMBOS PAISES, INCLUYENDO, DESDE LUEGO, LA VISITA PROYECTADA DEL DR. KISSINGER A LA AMERICA LATINA.

LE TRAIGO A LA SENORA PRESIDENTE PERON, AL CANCELLER VIGNES Y A TODOS LOS ARGENTINOS LOS SALUDOS CORDIALES Y AMISTOSOS DEL PRESIDENTE FORD Y DEL SECRETARIO KISSINGER. UNQUOTE.

2. EMBASSY MAY PROCEED TO ARRANGE BACKGROUNDER WITH U.S. CORRESPONDENTS. TIGHTNESS OF SCHEDULE, HOWEVER, WILL NOT PERMIT HOLDING PRESS CONFERENCE.

3. MR. ROGERS HAS NO OBJECTION TO A JOINT COMMUNIQUE PROVIDED IT IS LIMITED EXCLUSIVELY TO GENERALITIES, I.E., FRUITFUL, CORDIAL CONVERSATIONS, USEFUL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS, ETC. FYI - UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL HE AGREE TO A JOINT COMMUNIQUE FIXING THE SECRETARY'S TRIP OR DEALING WITH SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES. INGERSOLL

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